

## UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

### Sunday, January 13, 2013

- 8:30am United Methodist Men's Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
- 10:00am Sunday School
- 11:00am Worship Service
- 12:00pm Adult Sunday School Presidents Meeting (Fred Harris Classroom)
- 3:00pm Confirmation Class (Kinsey Mulloy Classroom)
- 4:00pm United Methodist Women (UMW) Executive Committee Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
- 4:30pm Salkehatchie Summer Service Meeting (Pairs and Spares Classroom)
- 5:00pm United Methodist Youth Fellowship (Youth Hut)
- 6:00pm Trustees Meeting (Choir Room)
- 7:00pm Praise Singers Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)

### Monday, January 14, 2013

- 5:15pm Missions Ministry Team Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:00pm Boy Scout Meeting
- 6:00pm Pre-School Board Meeting (Choir Room)
- 7:00pm Flag Retiring Ceremony (Scout Hut)

### Tuesday, January 15, 2013

- 7:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)

### Wednesday, January 16, 2013

- 5:30pm WATF Meal
  - 6:30pm Adult Bible Study
  - 6:30pm Children's Ministries (K—5th Grade)
  - 7:30pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- January 20 Bulletin Deadline*

### Thursday, January 17, 2013

- 12:00pm J.O.Y Club Luncheon/Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

### Sunday, January 20, 2013

- 8:45am Genesis (Fellowship Hall)
- 10:00am Sunday School
- 11:00am Worship Service
- 3:00pm Confirmation Class (Kinsey Mulloy Classroom)
- 5:00pm United Methodist Youth Fellowship (Youth Hut)
- 5:30pm Staff Parish Relations Committee Meeting (Choir Room)
- 7:00pm Praise Singers Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)

#### FUMC STAFF

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The Mission of the First United Methodist Church is to win and nurture souls for Jesus Christ by sharing and living the message of salvation.

**January 13, 2013**  
***The Baptism of the Lord***

#### Prelude

**Greeting and Announcements** *Please sign the attendance pad and pass it to everyone on the pew.*

#### \*Ritual of Friendship

#### Call to Worship

**\*Hymn No. 192 in the Hymnal** "There's a Spirit in the Air" Orientis Partibus

#### Unison Prayer for January

Greg Sanderson, Lay Reader

Blessed creator, you are the God of the second chance, the new opportunity, the fresh start. In you your creation finds renewal and refreshment. Through Christ we your people are made into a community of forgiveness, unity and peace. Through the Holy Spirit, you send fresh winds of healing and hope. Help us, grace-filled God, to cast aside ancient hurts, old animosities, stale traditions and hurtful habits. Renew us with your life-giving Spirit. We give you thanks for your constant life-giving presence made real in this new day and this New Year. In Christ we pray. Amen.

#### Silent Prayer and Words of Assurance

#### Mini Sermon

Rev. Paul Wood

#### Foundational Scripture Passage (in unison) Jeremiah 29: 11 — 13

Lay Reader

"I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord; they are plans for peace, not disaster, to give you a future filled with hope. When you call me and come and pray to me, I will listen to you. When you search for me, yes, search for me with all your heart, you will find me."

#### Epistle Lesson

**Philippians 4: 4 — 7**

Lay Reader

#### \*Affirmation No. 881 in the Hymnal

**The Apostles' Creed**

Lay Reader

#### \*Gloria Patri — Page No. 70 in the Hymnal "Glory be to the Father"

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#### \*Gospel Lesson

**Matthew 6: 25 — 34**

Rev. Wood

**Sermon** "New Plans for a New Year " Rev. Wood  
(Sermons for a New Year, Third in the Series)

### Pastoral Prayer

\***Hymn No. 347 in the Hymnal** "Spirit Song" Spirit Song  
*During the singing of this hymn, the altar is open for those who wish to come for prayer and dedication.*

### Presentation of Tithes and Other Offerings

**Offertory Anthem** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" Paul Manz

\***Doxology No. 95** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" Old 100th

### \*Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

### Introduction to the Service of Baptismal Renewal

#### Unison Prayer for Baptismal Renewal

Gracious God, as your Spirit came down upon your Son Jesus at his baptism, you also have graced us with the anointing of your Spirit through Holy Baptism. We thank you for incorporating us into the holy communion of Christ's Church; for granting us forgiveness of sins; and for sending your Spirit upon us. Help us in this New Year to be worthy of what you have done for us through baptism. Help us never to forget that we are baptized and carry with us the sign of the cross, the cross of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### Remembering our Baptism

*All who are baptized are invited to go forward to the altar. With a wet finger, place the sign of the cross upon your forehead. Then take a stone with you as a reminder of all that the Lord has done for you through your baptism.*

\***Hymn No. 61 in the Hymnal** "Come, Thou Almighty King" Italian Hymn

### \*Dismissal with Blessing

### \*Postlude

**\*Indicates where you should stand if you are able.**

**WELCOME VISITORS** — We welcome our visitors! Please fill out the attendance sheet with your contact information. If you wish to join the church by Affirmation of Faith or Transfer of Membership, please notify the pastor at 843-537-3635.

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary today to the Glory of God.

The rose on the altar is in honor of Carley Jean Watson, daughter of Chase and Lesley Jean Watson and the granddaughter of David and Jean McLean. Carley was born on January 9, 2013.

**OUR PRAYER LIST** our president, our nation, Brady & Sue Nichols (Pam Humphries' parents), Bailey Turner (9-yr-old from Ruby with cancer), Taylor Novinger (Dr. Novinger's son), Betty Thrailkill (cancer— appreciates visits and phone calls), Pal & John Moore, Harry Board, Sadie Murvin (Pre-School worker), Lois Baker, Shirley Walton, Mac Covington Family (Pam Baker's father), Allison Toole Family (Margaret Wolfe's daughter), Shellie Buffington Leary, Allison Gainey (Debbie Adams' friend). **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.**

**FLOWER CHART** — The flower chart for this year is up in the hallway by the sanctuary. If you would like to sign up for a particular Sunday, please contact Sarah M. Therrell at 537-3395 or the church office at 537-7002.

**FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY** — Boy Scout Troop 655 will hold a flag retirement ceremony on Monday, January 14 at 7:00pm at the Scout hut. If you have an old American flag that you need to dispose of, please bring it to this special ceremony.

**CHURCH AND PRESCHOOL PHONE SYSTEM** — The system board has gone out on the phone system for the church and preschool. The Trustees have ordered a new phone system to be put in, however, it will take about ten days to be complete. Until then the only phone that we have working at the church and preschool is a cordless phone. If you call and don't get an answer, leave a message and we will call you back.

**PICTORIAL DIRECTORY** — The final copy of the FUMC pictorial directory has been edited and sent back to the publisher. We hope to receive bound copies by the end of January. Those who had portraits taken will receive a free directory. This applies whether or not the portraits were purchased. In addition, we have ordered a limited number of unreserved copies for anyone wanting to purchase a directory at \$10.00 each. Please contact Angie if you wish to reserve a copy to purchase.

**SALKEHATCHIE!!!** — It is time once again to sign up for Salkehatchie Summer Service. There will be a meeting at **4:30pm today** for anyone who is interested in participating. You must be 14 by the week of service to be eligible to go. If you absolutely cannot attend the meeting, make sure you have a representative there for you. We will meet in Pairs and Spares Classroom Call Debbie Adams at 623-4153 with any questions.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS** — Our 2013 Confirmation Class has started and is led by Paul and Kay Wood. Please keep in our prayers our confirmands: Emily Berry, Alayna Carabo, Mary Charlotte Dusa, Kaitlyn Freeman, Lydia Lee, Jacob Rohde, Katie Tarleton, and Rebekah Williams.

**SERMON SERIES** — Pastor Paul's sermon series "Sermons for a New Year" continues each Sunday in January. Next week's topic will be "New Growth in a New Year." Scriptures will be Jeremiah 29: 11 – 13 and Colossians 3: 12 – 17.

**AN INVITATION FROM THE PASTOR** — The Point-in-Time Homeless Count is a nationwide count of homeless men, women and children held every other January throughout the country. I am serving as the Chesterfield County coordinator for the count and would welcome FUMC members to assist with the count the last week of this month. Volunteers will receive two hours of training and will go out in small groups to conduct brief housing surveys with people who may be homeless. The final training session will be held Tuesday, January 15, 7:00 until 9:00 p.m. in Chesterfield. Please call me at 843-222-5257 or email me at woodtz1955@gmail.com. – Paul Wood

**SOUPER BOWL OF CARING** — The Souper Bowl of Caring is an offering taken up in places of worship around the country at the time of the Super Bowl. Proceeds are distributed to the local charities chosen by the youth groups who receive the offering. The youth of First UMC will hold our Souper Bowl of Caring offering on Sunday, January 27, the week before the Super Bowl. Please be generous.

**GENESIS** — Our contemporary worship service, Genesis, is held on the third Sunday of each month. Invite a friend to join you in the fellowship hall on January 20 at 8:45am.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL PRESIDENT MEETING** — Adult Sunday School class presidents are reminded of a meeting today in the Harris classroom immediately following worship.

**“OPENING OURSELVES TO GRACE: BASIC CHRISTIAN PRACTICES”** — Adults and youth are invited to the Wednesday night Bible study, 6:30 until 7:25pm each Wednesday in the fellowship hall. Paul Wood has begun a six-week series on grace and the practical ways we Christians can make ourselves open to God’s grace. This week’s scripture passage is Ephesians 2: 1—10; 4: 1—16. Bring a Bible.

**NOTE FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE** — The Trustees have quotes for painting four Sunday School classrooms and two hallways, including the fellowship hall entrance. Funds for this project are not included in the 2013 Trustees budget nor the 2013 general church budget. The Trustees need contributions from Sunday School classes and FUMC members to move forward. With sufficient help this project could be expanded to include the fellowship hall and kitchen.

— *Robert Calhoun, Finance Committee Chairperson*

**WEDNESDAY AT THE FIRST (WATF) MEAL** — The meal begins at 5:30pm and is cooked by Carolyn Gary; the cost is \$7.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under 12 years old (Maximum \$21.00 for a household). Sign up on the worship attendance sheet, or call the church office (537-7002) and ask that your name be added to the list of “regulars”. Reservations must be in to the church office no later than 3:00pm on Monday.

5:30— Meal; 6:30—7:30 — Children’s Ministries hour (K—5th grade); 6:30—7:30 — Adult Bible Study; No Youth Activities on Wednesday.

**MENU**— *(January 16) Vegetable soup, chicken and rice soup, cornbread, dessert and tea.*

#### SERVING TODAY

**Head Usher:** Anthony Harris

**Lobby Door Greeters:** Manfred Kollitz, Joey Mills

**Altar Guild:** Sarah M. Therrell & Shirley Walton

**Nursery:** Caroline Berry & Jennifer Tomberlin

**Children’s Church:** Eric Dusa

**Counters:** Jim Crawford, Sammy Quick, Donald Baker

**Alternate Counter:** John Straughn, Zenda Rushing

**Greeters:** Mr. & Mrs. Heath Ruffner

**Hostess:** Kelly Dusa

**Acolyte:** Benson Stubbs

**Cross Bearer:** Sullivan Chapman

**McArn Item:** Canned meats

**Flowers Next Sunday:** OPEN

**Next Week’s Lay Reader:** Shannon Johnson

Last Week’s Worship Service Attendance — 140; Worship Attendance in 2012 for the same Sunday — 134